The moon is dead, defunct, played out;

So says a very learned doctor; She looketh well, beyond a doubt: Perhaps she's in a trance, dear Proctor. At any rate, she's most entrancing

For one of such decrepit age; And on her radiant beauties glancing She charms the eye of youth and sage. And so the man upon her's perished!

He lived in doleful isolation; Poor wretch! No wife his bosom cher No children squalled his consolation Yet she's adored by all the gypsies, Whose lovers sigh beneath her beams She aids the steps of staggering tipsies, And silvers o'er romantic streams

And once she caught Endymion sleeping, And stooped to kiss him in a grove, Upon him very slyly creeping; He was her first and only love.

But that's a very ancient story, And was a youthful indiscretion When she was in her primal glory Ere seandal schools had held a sessio

Dear darling moon! I dote upon her; I watch her nightly in the sky; But oh! upon my word of honor, I'd rather she were dead than I.

DR. ANSLEIGH'S PERIL.

It was a lover's quarrel, no doubt about that. Sky threatening-a regular storm brewing-one could see at a glance.

She stood, all flushed and excited, in the curtained bay window, her fair face clouded, her blue eyes flashing, her breath coming quick and fast.

He stood at her side, stern and pale. his hands clenched excitedly, his dark eyes full of mingled sorrow and passion "Allie!"

John Ansleigh's voice was low and intense with feeling.

"It is all your fault, remember." went on with an effort at calmness. have only requested you, kindly and gently-and as your betrothed husband. I surely have some right—to desist from these foolisn flirtations. Why, Allie, you were flirting last night with that Mr. Mayne, whom public opinion pronounces a-a-I can't tell you, only that he is not proper company, for you, my darling!" John's voice lost its angry tone, and grew very gentle and tender. "You know that this would not trouble me so if you were not dearer to me than my own life. Say yo

are not angry with me, sweetheart? Dr. John Ansleigh bent his handsome head, and his dark eyes gazed into Allie's blue ones.

mood, that morning. She felt like any-thing but meek submission to the will of her lover, even though she knew that all that he had said was true, and

too, just released from the restrictions of boarding.school life. She had lost her parents in her infancy, and had passed the eighteen years of her life under the care of hirelings, and flater, a flower, she had grown up amidst half a mile distant from the hotel.

She had been betrothed to Dr. Ans leigh for nearly a year, and was now under his mother's care, passing a few weeks at a watering-place.

Society pronounced Allie a heartless flirt; but she was merely a thoughtless. careless girl, plunging headlong into the unaccustomed gaieties about her with all her heart. Surrounded by scores of admirers, no wonder her head was nearly turned with admiration and flattery.

John Ansleigh's words would have touched her pride. Did he then imagine that, because she was careless and happy, that she was shallow and silly, and needed a guiding hand?

She mentally resolved to cut Mr. Mayne's acquaintance that very day; but then John should not have the satisfaction of thinking that his words had instigated the step. John had no confidence in her love, she told herself.

Well, let him think as he pleased. All the girl's defiant spirit was in arms, and when John, at last, fearing that he had wounded her sensitive nature, attempted to set matters right be-tween them, he was struck dumb with amazement as she turned upon him a

eyes fairly scintillating.

"You've said enough, John Ansleigh!" she cried, passionately. "I can see now the—the mistake I have made. We were never intended for each other. We were never intended for each other; we are not suited. You want a wife that will obey you like a puppet—a woman with no will or mind of her own—a perfect Griselda. And I can never submit to tyranny in any form. The man I love must trust me; and since you have ceased to do that, we are best apart. I give you back your freedom.

"Allie, stop!"
Dr. Ansleigh was white as a statue "Do you mean what you say? You do not love me then, Allie?"

The girl was thoroughly aroused now, and regardless of consequences.
"No?" she cried, madly, "I do not love you any more!"
She dashed aside the heavy curtains

that draped the bay-window, and was gone. And just then a man arose from the lounging chair beside the window, where he had been ostensibly reading,

and sauntered slowly away.

It was Mr. Mayne, and there was curious smile on his sensual lips and an

any rate, I know which card to play next. Piqued and angry at Ansleigh, the beauty will turn to me. I'll play the beart-broken lover, step in before her anger against the handsome doctor has cool, 'strike while the iron is d to Allie Ray and her fifty thous-

"The best laid schemes o' mice and

nen gang aft agley!"

But Mr. Mayne had forgotten that. For a long time Jonn sat in the bay-window, his head bowed, staring his misery in the face. Could it be true? Allie loved him no longer. Ah, well! it was better for him to know the worst,

refore it was too late. An hour or two afterward he saw Al-An hour or two afterward he saw Allie, radiant in white organdie and pink
ribbons, sitting on a rustic seat in the
hotel grounds in conversation with Mr.
Mayne, John bit his lip and hurried
away out of sight. Well, after all i
v as nothing to him now; he had no
longer any right; Allie had ceased to
love him. And only a few hours before
he would have staked his life on her love
and truth.

But John did not know what was taking place out there in the cool shade of the oak tree, beneath which Allie was sitting beside her obnoxious companion.

Mr. Mayne had asked Allie to be his
wife, and had been very decidedly—not to say contemptuously—refused. And when he arose and left her, there was an angry gleam in his wicked eyes, while in his heart he registered an oath sooner

or later to be avenged.

Allie came down to dinner in the great dining-room, at sunset, to find John's place vacant. re is the doctor?" some one wa

asking John's mother, as Allie entered the room and took her usual seat. Mrs. Ansleigh looked troubled. "There has been an accident," "Some men were out fishing, th

boat capsized and two of them nearl drowned. Dr. Ansleigh was sent for i drowned. Dr. Ansieigh was sent for in hopes that he could save them, their families being totally ignorant of any means of resuscitation. But it is several miles away down the beach and I fear it will be late in the night before he can return." It chanced at that instant that Allie

raised her eyes to encounter a glance from Mr. Mayne, who was her vis-a-vis She could not repress a shudder as she saw the audacious triumph in his face. Dinner over, Allie threw a shawl about her, and wandered off on the beach alone. The sun had set now, and twilight, weird and uncanny, was gathering. Allie wanted to get away from everybody, to be alone with her own thoughts. She sat down at the foot of the tree and gave way to her bitter reflec-

A voice aroused her and startled her musings. It was the voice unmistak able of young Mayne—eager, earnest "He bit at the bait mighty easy!" Mayne exclaimed; won't he be furious though when he has his long, hard ride for nothing, and finds that there has been no accident—no capsized boat—no half-drowned men?" Mayne paused half-drowned men?"

and laughed heartily.
"And you're sure the bridge is unsafe?" he went on, eagerly.
"Oh, yes, sir!" another voice replied;
"the high waters and the late storm have just played the mischief with the old thing. Nobody can pass over it on horseback without going through—sure

"And there will be no mistake-no failure?" queried Mayne. "Ansleigh will be sure to come back that way?" He'll have to!" the other answered, grimly. "He went by the beach road, it is true, but he can't come back that way after night falls, for the tide is in o Allie's blue ones.

But the little lady was in a contrary mood, that morning. She felt like any-

know the rest!" And with a savage chuckle they moved away.

Alice sat, half stunned at the revelaprompted by his love and care for her. tion to which she had listened. She a flash she saw her own way clearly. She had brought this on John Ansleigh -she must save his life, though she lost

She staggered to her feet, and draw under the care of hirelings, and flater, ing her shawl bau toher, turned away in at a fashionable school. And, pure as the direction of the old bridge; perhaps e sure she knew not the road she had taken; but if she could only cross the rotten structure, she could await his coming on the other side.

She reached the place at last. Gathering all her courage together, she stepped upon the old bridge. It was nearly dark now, but with an agonized prayer for protection, she moved on-ward. Even beneath her light weight t tottered and shook. She could seeaway down below-the black, angry water, with its swift, awful curre swollen by recent rains, and choked by driftwood; it was a wild sight there in the gathering gloom. Onward she moved holding her breath, and with clasped nands and dilated eyes watching the other side.

Thank God! she is over-safe at last! She sank down on a mossy stump, and crouching down, awaited John's com-

ing. And darkness gathered and fell over all things. She felt timid and afraid but she calmed her fears as best she might, and remained patiently at post. An hour passed. What if he were not coming home that night? The hought made her heart stand still. ven then she heard, away in the dis tance, the tramp of a horse's feet—coming nearer—nearer. She arose and stepped forward. The moon had rises now, and its clear rays showed plainly that it was really John.

She stepped into the road. She for got everything—all that had happened that day—and raising her voice, she cried, wildly:
"John! Oh, John!"

Doctor Ansleigh checked his horse, and paused irresolute. His heart beat tumultuous—he could not credit his ow

evesight. "Allie! my God!" he gasped, "what

s the matter?" He sprang from his horse, and in moment more she was in his arms, her head on his breast, while she sobbed out the whole story. John listened with a new light in his eyes, his heart full of happiness. And while they stood there, alone in the pure moonlight, with a great rush and roar the old bridge went own. John shuddered and drew Allie closer to him, while a thankful prayer went up to heaven.

"My darling," he murmured, softly; At first the problem of how they were to cross the river seemed too difficult to be solved; but after a time John found an old boat with a couple of rough oars, which had been left there and forgotten; and the way became clear at once. Tying his horse to a great tree— to remain until he could send for it, on evil light in his gray eyes.

Listeners hear no good of themselves," the norrow when the tide would be out and the beach road passable—John assisted Allie into the old boat, and they

made the passage in safety. Home in Mrs. Ansleigh's cosy parlor, where the mother was anxiously awaiting her son's return (she had not miss-ed Allie, but supposed that she was safe in her own room). John told her the whole story. And when he had finished, he laid his hand upon Allie's.

"You risked your own life," he said his voice all a tremble, "to save mine! Why did you do it, Allie?"

And Allie answered bravely—their quarrel a thing of the past—and forgetting the words she had said that very

"Because I love you, John."

What a Boy Did. A duke, walking in his garden one day, saw a Latin copy of a great work on Mathematics lying on the grass, and

library, called some one to carry it "It belongs to me," said the garden-

thinking it had been brought from his

er's son, stepping up.
"Yours!" cried the duke; "do you nderstand geometry and Latin?"

"I know a little of them," answered he lad, modestly. The duke having a taste for the sei ences, began to talk with the young stu-

dent, and was astonished at the clearness and intelligence of his answers. "But how came you to know so much

asked the duke. "One of the servants taught me to read," answered the lad. "One does kill, not need to know anything more than the twenty-four letters in order to learn everything else one wishes." But the

gentleman wanted to know more about it.

"After I learned to read," said the boy, "the masons came to work on our house: I noticed the architect used a rule and compass, and made a great many calculations. What was the meaning and use of that? I asked; and they told me of a science called arithmetic. I bought an arithmetic and studied it through. They then told me there was another science called geometry. I bought the books and earned geometry. Then I found there were better books about these sciences in Latin. I bought a dictionary and learned Latin. I heard there were stil better ones in Franch. I got a dictionary and learned Franch. It seems to me we may learn everything when we know

the twenty-four letters of the alphabet. They are in fact, the ladder to every cience. But how many boys are contented to waste their time at the first two or three rounds, with not pluck nor perseverance enough to climb higher! Up, up, up, if you want to know more and see clearer, and take a high post of usefulness in the world. And if you are a poor boy and need a little friendly encouragement to help you on, be sure, if you have a will to climb you will find the way, just as the gardener's son found it afterwards in the Duke of Argyll, under whose patronage he pursued his studies and became a distinguished mathematician.

Take The Girls West.

A Colorado paper says the great want of that region is girls, and we suppose the same may be said of all the new States and Territories. Mining and cattle raising industries require men, young, strong men, and that in great numbers; and that class, with-Allie Ray was an orphan, an heirness, knew the whole vile, murderous plot out the refining and elevating influence now! This was Mayne's vengeance! In is almost certain to deteriorate into a drinking, gambling, fighting, infidel way of life. Our various denominations of Christains are sending ministers and missionaries in large numbers to these self-exiled men, but who is going to send the girls to make wives and homesfor them? The lack of some agency such as that commenced by Governor Slade, of Vermont, is perhaps the greatest want of the present day in these United States. Virtuous, intelligent girls are much wanted in the regions where at presant men greatly preponderate in numbers and there are plenty of them in the older States. They are wanted in the West as teachers, as cooks, and as servants in boarding houses, as tailoresses, as nurses, and in other honorable employments, and if they do not marry they can make an honorable and handsome living. It is not at all necessary, therefore, that they should go on the indelicate mission of husband-hunting; but there should be nothing to hinder them from ssenting, if they were sought in marrage A Scotch lady conferred an immense benefit on Australia by taking out cargo after eargo of young Scotch women to that new country, and the British Gov ernment imitated her by sending out one shipment after another of Irish Roman Catholic girls, whose influence will probably be felt in Australia for centuries to come in favor of the Church of Rome. In like manner, if hundreds or even thousands, of good Protestant girls, with certificates of church-menpership and membership in some tem perance organization in their pockets Wyoming, New Mexico, Western Neb-raska and other mining regions, their influences for good would be incalculable, not only at presant but in the whole future of these regions. Ye noble marons of the Women's Christian Tem perance Union, will ye not consider this great temperance work, or, better still. why should not each large earnes church subscribe the necessary amount to send out one of its most reliable elderly ladies with a dozen or a score of the young female members of the church, who might be willing to go under such auspices to obtain situations in the West? Parents having large families of daughters should also go West. Far better for daughters to go there than into tobacco ar other factories; or to stand ten or twelve hours daily behind

> Teacher-"A quadruped is an animal having four legs. Now who will give me the name of a quadruped?" And 13 shrill voices piped out, "A table." There is nothing like object teaching, especially when the object is just before

the pupil's eyes. Said a sufferer from kidney trouble when asked to try Kidney-Wort for a remedy. "I'll try it, but it will be my last dose." It cured him and now he recommends it to all. If you have dis ordered urine don't fail to try it.—Yokohama A Trap for Seven.

Catch a rat in a trap and be will fight. Trap a man and-well, you can't rely on him. It is according to the trap. In the heavy stage coach, as we roll out of Leadville, are seven men. One is an army officer who has half-a-dozen scars to prove his bravery. Cut off from his command on the plains last summer by score of Indians, he entrenched himself and fought the band off until help arrived. Two of the others are desperadoes, who have killed their men Three of the others are stalwart miners. each armed with two revolvers, and they look as if they would prove ugly custo

mers in a row.

The seventh man might do som shooting on a pinch, but he hopes there will be no pinch: In the crowd are ten revolvers, two derringers, three repeating rifles, and four or five bowie knives, and there is perfect good feeling as the stage rolls along. It is tacitly understoot that the army captain is to assume command in case the coach is attacked, and that all are to keep cool and fire to

It is 10 o'clock in the morning. The windows are down and the passengers are smoking and talking and seeking for comfortable positions. The coach has just reached the top of a hill, when every horse is suddenly pulled up.

"If it's a b'ar, we'll have some fun, growled one of the miners, as he put his head out of the window.

"If it's a robber gin me the fust pop at him!" whispered one of the despera-No one could say what the trouble was, when a wiry little chap about 5ft.

6in. tall, with black eyes and hair, clean face and thin lips, appeared at the lefthand door with a revolver in either hand, and said:

"Gents, I'm sorry to disturb you, but I've got to make a raise this morning. Please leave your shooters and climb down here, one at a time.

It was sudden. It was so sudden tha it took 10sec, to understand the drift of his remarks. Then every eye turned to the right-hand door, and the two revolvers held by a second robber were seen at the open window. It was a trap. The rats were caught, and would they fight?

"Gents, I'm growing a leetle impa tient," continued the first robber, "and I want to see the procession begin to move!"

Let's see? The captain was to lead ns, and we were to keep cool and fire to kill. But the captain was growing white around the mouth, and nobody had a weapon in hand. The rats were not going to fight. One of the miners opened the door and descended, and the other six humbly followed. The seven were drawn up in line across the road, and while the robber held his shooter on the line he coolly observed to his partner:
"Now, William, you remove the weapons from the coach and then search

these gentlemen.' As William obeyed every victim was ordered to hold his hands above his head, and whatever plunder was taken amond pins, a telescope, a diamond ring, a gold badge, and \$1200 in cash chang-ed hands in 10mir. Not a man had a word to say. The driver of the coach did not leave his seat and was not inter fered with. When the last man had been p undered the genteel Dick Tur-

pin kindly observed. "You are the most decent set of mer I ever robbed, and if times weren't so precious hard, I would make each of you a present of \$10. Now, then, climb back to your places and the coach will

The crowd "clumb," and the vehicle resumed its journey. Not a weapon or a time-piece or a dollar had been saved. well-armed men had been cleaned out by two and not a shot fired nor a wound given. Each man took his seat without a word. Mile after mile passed in perfect silence, and finally the seventh man, the one who might fight on a pinch, but didn't, plaintively sug-

"Can't some of you gentlemen think of a few remarks which would be apropos to the occasion"? No one could, and the silence was re-

Canine and Human Intelligence. lington Hawkeye.

Mr. Ramschneider and his friend August Fifemacher, were out walking, and Mr. Ramschneider was boasting of

the intelligence of his dog.
"See here," he said; "I place my hat here, in this fence corner, I conceal it under the bush and dried leaves. We will now walk on. We pass down the lane, we turn this corner, we stroll by the woods, I send Bismarck back for my hat. See, my friend? he comprehends me; he flies through the woods, he speeds down the lane, he disappears around the corner, presently he will be back before I have time to eatch cold in my head.

It was true, as Mr. Ernst Ramsch-neider had said. The intelligent dog, readily understanding what was want d, sped down the lane and flew around the corner to get the hat. But he did not get it all the same. For, just as he flew around the corner, a wary though not an affluent tramp, who had watch-ed the circus from afar, was in the act of appropriating Mr. Ramschneider's new hat unto himself, and when the dog got up in a short range he fired a clay-cold clod, as hard as a door knob, at that 'aithful animal, with a force that knocked a howl out of him as long as a clothes-line, and sent him wailing and weeping back to his astonished master. And when Mr. Ramschneider and his friend hastened to investigate they found under the brush an old has that had lived in more ash heaps than you could count in a week, and so greasy and forbidding in its general apwouldn't touch it with his cane. away beneath the distant fields, they saw the sunlight shining on Mr. Ram-echnoider's \$5 hat, and the tramp of the dusty highway was jogging along under it. But Mr. Ramschneiderwalked house bare as to his head, which is of the bald ba'dy, and he hasn't got out of bed yet with the cold he caught. Hee fabula docet you 'hat when you stake the instinct of the canis against

WEEKLY REVIEW.

At Luise, Prussia, June 24th, an ex-

Herr Von Cossler, the new German Minister of Public Worship, is inclined to favor

peace with the Vatican. A village in Valois, Switzerland, condating of about 300 houses, has been entirely

destroyed by fire. A cyclone in the district of Blois, France, June 28d, caused damage to the amount of several million france.

A fire in Brooklyn, N. Y., June 15th, caused a loss amounting to \$100,000. A work-man was burned to death.

A fire at Dyersburg, Tenn., a few nights ago, destroyed five houses, including the building occupied by the State Gasette. President Garfield's sister, Mrs. Ar-

nold, who was injured by a railway accident, is better, and it is hoped she will recover. The Irish census gives the "gem of the ea" a population of 5,159,849, a decrease of

The ship Fraconia ran ashore near the entrance of San Francisco, June 26th, and will prove a total loss. The crew were saved. Foos & Evans' plow factory at Springfield, Ohio, was unroofed by a storm and the walls leveled, June 29th. The city was much maged.

A storm near Maysfield, S. C., June 2nd, leveled barns and fences and unroofed several business houses. Two houses being entirely destroyed.

The loss and damage by the powder explosion at Tucson, Arizona, amounts to about \$100,000. The county hospital is in ruins, but no patients injured.

A man was killed and two fatally injured by a train which was wrecked upon the Buffalo, New York & Philadelphia railway, and a train of coal demolished, June 29th.

A dispatch from Marlow, Ill., of June 29th says, the rain that morning fell in torrents, and damaged the crops greatly. Three houses were demolished, and three men killed by light-

thor of "The Course of Sime," have just been evicted from their farm in Scotland. It has been in the possession of the Pollock family for two bundred years. A destructive tornado swept over

Franklin, N. H. June 28th, with hall and lightning. Half of the windows were shattered, and many chimneys overturned, trees and gardens ruined. Its path was two miles wide. The Catholic church was much damaged. A heavy wind storm passed over the

Black Hills in the vicinity of Deadwood on the morning of June 15th. The Methodist Church and the Sisters' Hospital at Lead City were blown down. The roof of the Church struck a dw. " ppse and demolished it. John Aiddleton and bride were drown ed at Savanah, Georgia, June 23rd. They were

Middleton fell into the water and her husband attempted her rescue. The bodies were recov ered locked in each other's arms. A sensation was created at Omaha re ently by the indictment by the grand jury of prominent liquor dealers, two of whom are city councilmen, for the violation of the Slocum high

rossing a ferry after their wedding, when Mrs

This is the first step towards enforcing it. On the night of June 24th a whole train on the Morelas railroad, in Mexico, tumbled down into the river San Antonio, near from his pockets was dropped into William's hat. Four gold watches, two difirst dispatch was sent, and a great many wound ed, mostly soldiers.

icense law, which went into effect June 1st

A special frem Monticello, Ill., June 26th, says: Lawrence Mahoney, a bridge carpenter on the Wabash bridge, was burnt t when in a tool car on the road that morning The car and all its contents were destroyed, including \$160 belonging to the men of the gang.

By the fire at Tombstone, Arizona une 22nd., about 150 houses were destroyed ncluding a large part of the business portion of the town. The losses will aggregate a quarter of a million dollars, and about 800 people are homeless. The fire originated in a saloon from he opening of a barrel of whisky the fumes of which communicated with a cigar lighter.

Another great comet has been dis overed by L. L. Edwards, of Havenford, Pa. and Edgar L. Larkin, Windsor, Ill. It is in constellation Auriga, and is very large. A dispatch from Akron, Ohio, of June 23d, says comet was observed there that morning. same reports come from points in variou States. It was also seen in England.

The troubles in the Indian Territory continue to increase. A few days ago J. W. Sage, Sheriff of Scully county, Choctaw Nation was found dead. He had evidently been mur dered by white men for attempting to enforce upon them what is known as the "permit law," which created so much disturbance in the Natio lately.

The conclusions at Cambridge obser vatory are that the comet is now moving away from the earth at the rate of 300,000 miles per day. It will probably be visible for several months and will, without doubt, be conspicuous during the time to the naked eye. It reached its maximum of brightness Thursday night A special from Little Rock says ad-

vices from the Choctaw and Chickasaw Indian nations indicate that affairs there have reached a crisis. The cavalry at Ft. Sill have been or dered to report to the United States ages Tuffts, at Muskogee, on the 24th of October with the Choctaw militia under Gov. McBurt. n driving the white intruders and their st rom the nation. All persons not Indiana ntermarried with Indians are classed as int ers under the law. The greatest terror and d tress exists.

On the night of June 22nd., a faga ecident occurred at t e junction of the vaukee & St. Paul railway and the Centra lowa, at Mason City. The Central cars of night passeger were allowed to stand across the track of the Milwaukee railway, and at the Austin road, a short distance west, a freight train was trying to get out some cars. The oncussion of working up the train set some pose cars in the motion, and on a slight down grade they, went with accelerated force, diving nto the Central baggage and passenger coaches, killing Albert E. Carter, of Cresco, and injuring a few others.

A telegram from the City of Mexico. ays reports are meagre regarding the Malpole ccident as the telegraph was destroyed by the magers for the purpose of suppressing the details. The official account of the killed was 192 soldiers and 18 officers; and of the wounded the cheek of a tramp you can just bet multum pecuniæ the canis will be chasm. The engineer and fireman were instantly killed. A large cargo of whisky and alcohol the public highway on the occasion of the visit was aboard, and caught fire. The car contain-

ing the soldiers was partialy burned. A heavy flood was rushing through the chasm, and many were drowned, and others burnt beyond

The steamer Newbern brings the creof the schooner Eussies, from Mazatian, and the particulars of the killing of the Captain and firing of the vessel by a maniac cook. The cook, who had frequently shown signs of being de-mented, suddenly stabbed the Captain as he entered the cabin. He then ran into the closet where the axes were kept, and the crew closes the cabin doors. The cook continued walking about the cabin, several times threatening to fire the vessel. The crew then got the boats. Soon after some smoke began rising from the cabin, and the crew left hastily. As the vessel had 2,300 kegs of powder on board she soon blew up. The maniac immediately perished in the explosion. The crew reached Mazatlan after sixty miles pull in a heavy sea.

Reports from 40 towns in Western Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia regarding remayivania, Ohlo and West Virginia regarding the condition of crops and business have been received. While in some particulars reports vary, they unite in a very encouraging total. The present outlook is favorable for a fair crop of wheat, although not quite up to last year, ad-verse effect of recent rains having neutralized the increase of average. The same cause to gether with the dry weather in the May has af fected the corn crop unfavorably, while oats promise a fair yeild, and hay an unprecedented one. The fruit crop is not so romising, the prospects being that there will e a light yield of apples, and a very poor one of peaches, while small fruits have done excel ently. Reports on the business outlook in the surrounding towns are exceedingly satisfactory with just enough exceptions to mark a rule. Trade is reported very brisk with payments promptly made. Farmers are out of debt or apidly reducing their liabilities, and the coun try generally is in a very sound and healthy

A most horrible accident occurred on he night of June 24th, on the Mosilos Railway n Mexico, whereby over two hundred people were burned and crushed to death. The scene of the catastropher was on the river San Antonio, near the villiage of Mailpois. For some tim past this section of country has been swept b flerce storms, swelling creeks and laying waste many fertile fields. The bridge spanning the river at the point mentioned, although known to be unsafe, was still in use when the fated train, bearing a battalion of soldiers attempted to cross. One account says the list of 17 officers and 197 privates killed does not include the railroad officials and employes or the women and children of the soldiers Only 60 persons in all were saved alive, and o those 40 are more or less injured. For a mo ment after the plunge of the cars from the bridge all was darkness. Suddenly 100 barrels of brandy loaded on two of the cars caught fire and the burning fluid inundated the mass of passengers struggling in the river. Dead and living, wrapped in a sheet of flame were slowly ourned before the eyes of the survivors wh were unable to save them.

Crime.

Ed. Stannard and Luther Ross, colored waiters in Chicago, June 23d, quarreled ever the question of relieving each other on watch, when Stannard was stabbed to the heart. Ros

At Cleveland, Ohio, June 25th, roung man, after eating heartily in a coffee nouse, shot and killed the proprietor, Geo. Williams. When arrested, he said he shot the proprietor because he had no money to pay his

On the afternoon of June 25th, in Washington, D. C., James Christmas shot and killed Wm. G. Whitney. They were partners, and had quarrelled on several occasions. On that day the quarrel was renewed, when Christ- all my time and attention, and I may

At Antioch, Ind., June 22nd, the men aployed in the building of the new railroad railroad struck. All but 35 or 40 went to work at advanced wages. Those not employed went to a saloon, which was closed against them, and attempted to force an entrance. The proprietor was inside and armed with a double barreled hot gun, and when the rioters broke the door down he fired. The foremost received the con tents in his breast, fatally wounding him; and others received slight wounds, but were not

A San Francisco dispatch of June 25 says: Frank Braga, Secretary of the Portuga rotection and Benefit Society, has absconder and is a defaulter to the amount of \$100,000 Braga was a saloon keeper near the city front and was implicitly trusted by his countrymen who deposited with him for safe keeping, in vestment, and stock operations, all their sa ngs. He left the city June 16, ostensibly fo Tulumne county on business. It is now ascer tained that he has made a clean sweep of the noney, stock and bonds of his clients and ever nore, the valuable furniture of his saloon.

C. Chlanson, a Swede recently ar rived at San Francisco from Honolulu reporte hat several hundred Scandinavians who to the Sandwich Islands under labor contract nade by Capt. Larange, are held there in what s practically a state of slavery and dispos by lot among the planters. They are suffering from climatic influences and held rigidly to the erms of contract on pain of penal servitude Although the other parties to the contract have failed to carry out its leading spirit, the story preates a sensation in the city and several com-bunications have been sent to Norway and Sweden warning people against Hawaiian emigrant agents.

News from Abroad. ENGLAND.

The Irish party in Parliament will rive Parnell a grand banquet, on the occasion he 35th anniversary of his birthday.

Gladstone gave notice that he would

stages of the land Bill shall have preceder over other orders of business when other bills appear on notice paper, until the house shall that time. otherwise decide.

The Italians continue to quit Marseills. Two steamship companies have offered to the Italian Consul free accommodations poard all their ships for Italians who are afraid to remain in the city, and six hundred have already left. On Surday, June 19th, placards were posted in the city declaring that all works where Italians are would be burned down. This threat now seems partially realized, as two oil threat now seems partially realized, as two oil mills and manufactories where Italians only were employed have been almost totalled de

O'Callahan, honorary Secretary of the Waterford Branch Land League, has arrested under the coercion act. Sexton, speaking at Tullamar, county King, said the coercion 28. Later reports somewhat increase the number. The train passed Malpois, and two miles us until the law was such that people could beyond, where the bridge was washed away, obey. Several members of the Ladies Land and the train at full speed plunged into the League of Kilmallock, county Limerick, have been summoned on the charge of obstruction of

It is rumored, says a dispatch from London, that mines have been discovered under be foundations of the Kazan Cathedral in St.

ALGIERS.

Advices have been received from Saida that the Bonamina rebels, passing between the two French columns, have returned to the northward, probably with the object of marching; upon the Marchusean station of the Alfa Company, where large stores are kept. It is rured that they have already com make raids there.

WIT AND HUMOR.

"What do you want for your birthday present, sissy?" "I want a ring, papa, as big as yours, only smaller." "Will the coming man fly?" He probably will when the coming woman gets after him.

The man who stole a glance has not yet been arrested, although his attention was arrested when he stole the

"Standing Bear," said an old lady, reading about the wrongs of the Poncas, "why, how dreadful! Poor fellow! I suppose those rascally agents have sto-len all his clothes." A brother arouse in a weekly prayer-

meeting in New Jersey and said:
"Brethern, when I consider the shortmess of life, I feel as if I might be taken away suddenly, like a theif in the "I wish to heaven I had a gentleman opposite me," said an irritable old fellow at a dinner party. "Why should you wish such a thing?" was the retort;

you cannot be more opposite to a gentleman than you are at present." Newly-married husband: "This is a riend of mine, my dear—a friend of twenty years' standing." His bride:
"Good gracious. Then pray give' him a seat, for I am sure he must be tired."

A gentleman was walking through the streets in Charleston, accompanied by a native of that city. It was a beautiful bright night, and the stranger, pointing upward, said, "Did you ever see anything as beautiful as that moon?" "Oh, good Lord!" said the native, "you ought to have seen that moon before the

A commercial traveler from Boston, having had a run of hard luck in prose-cuting business on the road, received, from his firm the following exhibitanting dispatch: "If you can't make expenses, come home at once." To which he sent the following reply: "All right. Can make plenty of expenses, but no sales."

A lady ran her last year's bonnet through a clothes wringer, and now she has the most stylish hat in town. The ribbons and trimmings resemble watered silk, with smashed soap bubbles on the strings, and miniature snowballs of starch clinging to the tips of the feather.

Lawyer to witness, severely-"You Lawyer to witness, severely—"You seem to be reluctant to state your nationality; now let me ask you distinctly, are you an Englishman?" Witness—
"No, sir." Lawyer—"Are you aFrenchman?" Witness—"No sir." Lawyer-"Well, then, are you an Italian, or a Russian, or a Turk, or an American?" Witness, hanging his head and coloring deeply—"No, sir; I'm an

"I assure you, gentlemen," said the convict upon entering the prison, "that the place has sought me, and not I the place. My own affairs really demanded position was an entire surprise. Had I consulted my own interest, I should have peremptorily declined to serve, but, as I am in the hands of my friends, I see no other course but to submit.'
And he submitted.

Remember, though box in the plural maker

The plural of ox should be oxen, not oxes. And remember, though fleece in the plural is

fleeces, That the plural of goose isn't gooses por go And remember though house in the plural is

Mouse, it is true, in the plural is mice But the plural of house should be houses And foot, it is true, in the plural is feet,

But the plural of root should be roots, and not A pompous lawyer, who supposed himself to be very sarcastic, said to the keeper of an apple stand: "It seems to me that you should quit this trying business, and go at something which is not so wearing on the brain." "Oh, 'tain't business," said the apple seller. "It is lyin' awake nights tryin' to decide whether to leave my fortun' to a

cide whether to leave my fortun' to a orphan 'sylum or to a home for played out old lawyers as is a-killin' me." They came unto a dangerous place, He feared she'd fall, and so he said,

"Won't you accept my arm!" "Oh, no," she quite demurely said. "Unless, sir, you command; But then I think it better far, That you accept my hand." Their glances met, the heart of each Was in the mouth. Oh, bliss!

Those hearts were quickly joined in one, They tell a story about a man who They tell a story about a man who called on a respectable widow of his acquaintance, and said, "Madam, I'm looking for a wife. I don't think you'll hardly do, but I didn't know but you might think of somebody that would."

The bewildered man has forgotten what have read but has the impression the widow said, but has the impression that a tornado struck the town about

Dr. Busby, whose figure was beneath

The story is told of a 7-year-old boy in Maine that he is able to tell, without were employed have been almost totally destroyed by fire. The damage is estimated at calculating the day of the week, upon which any given date will fall. When asked how he did it, he replied, "I don't know; it comes to me.'

When the Governor attends a public dinner, the waiters pass things over his head, just as though he were a private citizen. They have no regard for the gubernatorial prerogative.

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No pallastial hospital needed for Hop Bitters patients, nor large-salaried talented puffers to tell what Hop Bitters will do or cure, as they tell their own story by their certain and absolute cures at home.